









PARIS, February 18th.  
The Comte de Paris has telegraphed from Havana how proud and pleased he is at the conduct of the Duke of Orleans.

LONDON, February 19th.  
Mr. Amner Ali, barrister-at-law, has been appointed to succeed the Honorable R. C. Mitter as Judge of the High Court, Calcutta.  
Admiral Deinhart, of the German Navy, has been appointed a Commander of the Bath.  
The Governor of Malta has been appointed a Commander of the Order of St. Michael and St. George.

Mr. Henniker Heaton last night read a paper at the Society of Arts on the desirability of an ocean penny postage and cheap telegraph throughout Europe, in which he showed the notably immense advantages it would confer on India.

Sir J. Gorst, in reply to a question in the House of Commons, said Government was anxious to show every consideration for the rights of the Maharajah of Cashmere consistent with the rights of his people. The statement of Lord Cross relative to the Maharajah's restoration, he said, pre-supposed the remedying of the existing situation.

Mr. Parnell's amendment to the address has been rejected by 307 against 240 votes.  
In the House of Commons Mr. Balfour, replying to a question, said the Crimes Act had improved the condition of Ireland, thus permitting the Government to restrict its operations; if, however, it was found necessary to re-proclaim certain districts, Government would not hesitate to take the step, but Mr. Balfour was of opinion that the improvement would be permanent and that a few years of just government would restore order.

The Bill of Lord Cross to amend the Indian Councils Act proposes to fulfil Lord Lansdowne's pledge to enlarge the Councils and confer the power of interpellation.

Justice Field has resigned.  
Mr. Biggar's death was very sudden, as he was seized with stoppage of the heart's action while performing his duties of Teller in the division last evening.

PARIS, February 20th.  
A fatal explosion has taken place at a colliery in the Department of Nièvre, due to the ignition of coal dust; thirty-four corpses so far have been recovered.

LONDON, February 20th.  
Crofters on Lewis Island are reported to be in a desperate condition, and are resolved upon seizing the park and deer forest there, of which they have been deprived. They are now collecting tents and baggage for a long campaign, and it is feared much trouble will ensue.

A coal bed has been discovered in the vicinity of Dover at a depth of 1,100 feet.

The House of Commons rejected Dr. Clark's amendment to the Address by a majority of 40.  
Lord Hartington has arrived at Cairo.

CONSTANTINOPLE, February 20th.  
Three members of the Cretan Council have been sentenced by court-martial to seven years' imprisonment for having resigned their posts owing to the threats of the Cretan Committee at Athens.

In the event of Moussa Bey having to stand his trial again, the Sultan ordered that it shall take place at the Yildiz Palace under his own control.

LISBON, February 20th.  
The different political parties—Liberal, Conservatives, and Republican—here, have united with the object of bringing forward the African explorers as candidates for the Lisbon arrangement at the forthcoming elections for the Cortes.

LONDON, February 21st.  
Government has received the report of the Commission appointed to inquire into the Administration of the Army and Navy, which it is understood is of a favorable character. The Commission is of opinion that the War Office is unsatisfactory, and various changes in the War Office and the Admiralty are suggested, fixing control and establishing direct responsibility. Changes at the Horse Guards are also urged.

Mr. Acland brought forward an amendment to the address, "That this House regrets the omission from the Queen's Speech of any proposals regarding free education in England." Sir W. Hart-Dyke said that Government admits the importance of the matter, but it is not intended to submit proposals respecting the subject this year. Mr. Chamberlain was opposed to the question, as it entailed a vote of no confidence, otherwise he would support it. The amendment was rejected by a majority of 60 votes.

February 23rd.  
Mr. Gladstone, who was confined to his bed with a severe cold, is better, and up again.  
Seventy arrests have been made at Glenageary in Kildare under the Crimes Act. The arrests include the parish priest of Kinsella, who was charged with building shelters for evicted tenants at Kinsella, and has been sentenced to two months' imprisonment.

H.M.S. *Boddica*, with Admiral Fremantle on board, left Zanzibar yesterday for Bombay.  
The P. & O. steamer *Oriental* touched the ground on Saturday night in the quarantine harbour at Malta and damaged her stern. She has now gone into dock there for repairs.

It is stated that Prince George of Wales will command the new gunboat *Thrush*.

ROME, February 23rd.  
The Italians are at present very active in the Taka and Kasala districts, and have subsidized the sheiks and concluded an alliance with a prominent Hadendowah sheik against the devils.

LONDON, February 24th.  
The bringing to Newbridge of the prisoners, arrested at Glenageary, led to serious riots in the streets yesterday. The police charged the mob repeatedly, injuring twenty of them. Dragons eventually cleared the streets.

NAVY, February 24th.  
The flood caused by the bursting of a dam at Prescott has submerged the neighbouring town of Wickburg. A few only of the inhabitants escaped, but the telegraph wires being down, prevent any definite estimate of the mortality, being received; the loss of life however is known to have been enormous.

LONDON, February 24th.  
In the House of Commons this evening Mr. Motley gave notice that Mr. Gladstone would move an amendment to Mr. Smith's motion Monday last, censuring the sale of shares which were based on untrue statements and forged against certain members and especially Mr. Parnell; and that while being satisfied with the exposure, the House regrets the wrong, suffering, and loss caused through these acts of flagrant infidelity.

NEW YORK, February 24th.  
The House of Representatives at Washington has decided upon Chicago as the site of the Exhibition in 1892.

LONDON, February 25th.  
The Address of House of Commons in reply to the Queen's Speech was voted after the rejection by large majorities of various amendments, including one by Mr. Robert Graham declaring it to be imperative that British representatives be authorized to discuss the eight hours question at the Berlin Conference. Mr. Bradlaugh opposed the limitation of hours, as it would drive British trade to foreign markets. Sir James Ferguson said that Government had replied to Emperor William's invitation in no unambiguous manner.

SOFIA, February 25th.  
Bulgaria will pay the three millions roubles claimed by Russia immediately.

PARIS, February 25th.  
The Duke of Orleans has been removed to prison at Clairvaux; the Government has postponed pardoning him, as they fear it would excite the anger of the Radical party.

LONDON, February 25th.  
Sir Charles Lewis has given notice in the House of Commons that, if Mr. Chamberlain's amendment to Mr. Smith's motion is carried, it will move an addendum, regretting that members of the House Commons were implicated in a criminal plot, and condemning their conduct.

February 26th.  
The Committee, of which Lord Harris was President, appointed to enquire into the Militia of the United Kingdom, have reported that material advance has been made in the service since the year 1874, but that the efficiency of the force is its weak point.

NEW YORK, February 26th.  
Details of the disaster at Prescott show that a wall of water forty feet high swept along for a distance of a hundred miles, and that scarcely a house remains where it passed over. Happily the district was sparsely inhabited and the loss of life is not so great as at first supposed. The town of Wickburg was quite demolished. Fully one hundred and fifty, mostly miners and herdsmen, perished.

BERLIN, February 26th.  
The semi-official press here states that Prince Bismarck has only deferred his resignation of the Chancellorship, which is owing to the result of the elections, and is regarded as a further proof of the want of accord between the Prince and the Emperor William.

Thirty more non-commissioned officers have sailed to join Major Wisniewski's force.

LONDON, February 27th.  
Sir William H. Russell, speaking at Bath, said the Commission of Judges, although competent to deal with facts, was wholly unfit to decide where charges were depending upon politics.

NETHERLANDS INDIAN NEWS.  
A firm at Surabaya having need of a book-keeper, advertised the other day for one, on condition that the candidate should undergo competitive examination. It seems that, of late, it has become customary there to examine in that fashion applicants for mercantile employment.

Even in engaging clerks, mere copying machines, at 25 to 50 guilders a month, a sort of examination has to be gone through. Objection can hardly be against the practice. The supply in such cases goes so far beyond the demand that employers resort to this method to choose the best servants in the labour market.

Last month, a prominent member of the Chinese mercantile community at Surabaya, filled to the amount of four hundred thousand guilders, the assets being a mere nothing in comparison.

Acheen news offer little variety. The forts recently taken from the Achinese have been evacuated by the troops and razed to the ground, but other forts in the neighbourhood present such a formidable front as to make an attack risky. The civil authorities on the spot hope steadily to gain over the leading spirits of the Achinese war party, and fancy that the good time coming is not far off. Such is the confidence in the so-called friendly Achinese that arms and ammunition have been distributed among them without stint, though ex-communication has shown that these supplies find their way too often into wrong hands.

The Government, it is said, intend to pass an enactment curtailing the liberty hitherto given to the Chinese to take land on lease in Netherland-India.

At Jembrana, in Bali, the people find tigers very troublesome, owing to these beasts of prey marauding in the villages and becoming a terror to their inhabitants. The latter take the precaution to go to the fields in companies, but this does not prevent several of them from being carried off at times by these prowling dogs, though the latter abound, and maddens among them is far from uncommon, but the natives make short work of mad dogs, and soon kill them to prevent further mischief. The number of deaths from hydrophobia there is hard to ascertain, owing to bitten persons not dying till weeks and months after the bite. In that case the real cause of death does not appear in the mortality returns.

The Batavia *Nieuwsblad* says that a new assessment on lands and houses there has aroused widespread dissatisfaction among the European and native community, on account of too high a valuation of the rental. Land is assessed from five to ten times the market value, and the owners take out of their tenants, and occupiers even of small plots keenly the enhanced revenue demand. Some of the natives have been hit so hard that they talk of moving off to Singapore bag and baggage and settling down there.

At Cheribon the other day, a party given by a native headman in honour of his daughter's marriage had a tragical end. A coolie engaged by one of the guests, worth at being kept too long without pay, ran amok and killed two headmen, besides wounding five other persons before he was mastered. Naturally this threw a damper on the festive joy, and the guests made off as quickly as possible.

The financial results of the Government cinchona cultivation in Java have proved satisfactory so far. The accounts for 1888 show a profit of 23,000 guilders, and the figures for last year are expected to bring out a balance to the good amounting to 35,000 guilders.

The increasing unhealthiness of Tadjong Priok has led to the Government directing the local sanitary authorities to enquire into the reason why, and the best way to remedy the evil.

The efforts made by Mr. Gyller to flog a corpse at Amsterdam to work the petroleum lamp in Langkat have taken such a favourable turn that he deems success to be within his reach shortly.

Telegraphic advices have been received at Batavia that the contractors about to manage the N. I. mail service instead of the N. I. S. N. Company will take over all the Captains to the latter's employ, but for the present have not yet made up their minds what to do with engineers of foreign nationality. They go upon the principle that only natives may be employed in the service, who murdered Mr. Munder, the cinchona planter, in the Frenger, has confessed to the crime. The *Locomotief* deplores the fact that the slow pace justice moves in that quarter will rob the coming trial of much of its deterrent effect.

The Government intends to curb reckless speculation in land. Applicants for leases will have to give security that they have adequate working capital for estate enterprises.

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Today's Advertisements.  
THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, HONGKONG.  
THE COMING EVENT.  
MONDAY EVENING, the 17th March.  
GRAND OPENING PERFORMANCE of the renowned and only HUDSON'S SURPRISE PARTY.

The Donators of Music and Music, introducing The Mermaid and most Exhilarating Combination of unprecedented Humour and Harmony the Residents of Hongkong have enjoyed for years.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:—Dress Circle and Stalls \$; Back Seats \$1.  
Children half price. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price to Back Seats only.  
Reserved seats can be secured at Messrs KELLY & WALSH, Limited.  
Smiling begins at 9 P.M.  
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THOS. P. HUDSON, Proprietor & Manager, STANLEY SETON, Business Agent.  
Hongkong, 14th March, 1890. [423]

TO LET.  
No. 4, BELILIOS TERRACE. Possession may be taken on 1st April, Rent \$45. Apply to "M."  
c/o Hongkong Telegraph Office.  
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DOUGLAS STEAM-SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.  
FOR SWATOW, AMOY & TAIWANFOO. The Company's Steamship "THALES."

Captain under, will be despatched for the above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 15th inst., at DAYLIGHT, instead of as previously advertised, owing to the inclemency of the weather.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co., General Managers.  
Hongkong, 14th March, 1890. [429]

STEAM TO SHANGHAI. THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship "MIRZAPUR."

will leave for the above place about 24 hours after her arrival with the outward English Mail.  
E. L. WOODIN, Superintendent.  
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ON THURSDAY, the 20th March.  
A CONCERT.

UNDER THE DISTINGUISHED PATRONAGE of His Excellency the Administrator, FRANCIS FLEMING, C.M.G.

His Excellency Vice-Admiral Sir NOWELL SALMON, V.C., K.C.B.  
His Excellency Major-General J. B. EDWARDS, C.B., R.E.

IN AID OF THE FUNDS of THE ALICE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, will be given by MAESTRO CATTANEO'S PUPILS, kindly assisted by Mrs. GILLIES, Miss HOWARD, and Mr. G. VON WILLE, in THE ST. GEORGE'S HALL.

COMMENCING AT 9 P.M.

PROGRAMME.

PART I.  
1.—March, Faust, by Chorus by Lady and Gentlemen Amateurs.  
2.—Aria for Soprano, Miss I. d'A. e Castro.  
3.—Romanza for Baritone, Una balla in Maschera, by V. di C. Grace.  
4.—Angela's Serenade for Alto, by Braga, with Violon accompaniment.  
5.—Quartette for Soprano, Tenor & Bass, by Verdi.  
6.—Cocchiusa, for Piano, by Raff.  
7.—Grand Aria and Capriccio for Soprano, Puritani, by Bellini.  
8.—Largo nel finale, Traviata, by Verdi.

Mrs. A. G. Gordon.  
Mr. G. Von Wille.  
Miss E. Carvalho.  
Mrs. M. Guedes.  
Mr. C. Lammer.  
Miss C. Souza.  
Mrs. J. D. Humphreys.  
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Mr. E. W. Maitland.  
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3.—Trio for Soprano, Tenor and Bass, Lombardi, by Verdi.  
4.—Song—She wandered down the Mountain Side, for Soprano, by Clay.  
5.—Paraphrase on Walters' Prelude, from "Meistersinger," by Wagner, for Violino and piano.  
6.—Una voce poco fa, Cavatina for Mezzo Soprano, Barbiere di Siviglia, by Rossini.  
7.—Duet, Soprano and Baritone, Rigoletto, by Verdi.  
8.—Grand Waltz Concerto, Tutti in Maschera, by Pedroni.

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Hongkong, 13th March, 1890. [418]

TO LET.  
ROOMS in "COLLIER CHAMBERS," 4, SEYMOUR TERRACE, SEYMOUR TERRACE, STONEHENGE," Robinson Road, from 1st May.  
Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Hongkong, 12th March, 1890. [13]

TO LET.  
THE TOP FLOOR of Gibb, Livingston & Co.'s Hong consisting of Five Specious Rooms and Three Bath Rooms suitable either as Offices or Dwelling Apartments.  
For terms, apply to THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 14th January, 1890. [138]

TO LET.  
HOUSES No. 1 and 2, "KIMBERLEY VILLAS" at Kowloon, from 1st February, 1890.  
Apply to A. F. ALVES.  
Hongkong, 24th January, 1890. [180]

TO LET.  
No. 25, ELGIN ROAD, behind the Old Union Church.  
Apply to ACHEE & Co., 17, Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, 7th March, 1890. [386]

TO LET.  
FROM the 1st March, ROOMS suitable for OFFICES in the first floor of the PREMISES in Pedder's Street at present occupied by Calbeck, MacGregor & Co.  
Apply to CRUICKSHANK & Co., Ltd. Hongkong, 20th February, 1890. [196]

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HOUSE No. 16, ELGIN STREET.  
Apply to L. KIRCHMANN, No. 4, Ladder Street, Hongkong, 28th February, 1890. [153]

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FROM 1st February next, Nos. 3, 55, & 57, PEEL STREET.  
Apply to EDWARD GEORGE, Hongkong, 9th January, 1890. [110]

TO LET AT THE P. K.  
DUNNOTAR, R.B. Lot No. 10, for 1 year, from 1st April, 1890.  
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